

REMARKS begin hereinbelow.

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The Specification as set for in Attachment I reflects the “clean copy” required by the Examiner in his Final Office Action of December 29, 2003.

The Examiner’s rejection of the claims under 35 U.S.C. § 112 is respectfully traversed. Additionally, it is respectfully requested that the rejection be withdrawn.

Having provided a “clean copy” of the Specification, it is respectfully submitted the application is in condition for issuance of a Notice of Allowance. However, a Request for continued examination (RCE) has been filed contemporaneously herewith, along with the Small Entity Fee of \$385.00.

A petition for an extension of three months to December 29, 2003 in which to respond has been submitted concurrently with this Reply.

The Examiner is invited to contact Andrew F. Reish, at (703) 264-2220, in the Washington, DC area, in order to discuss any matters that may remain outstanding in this application.

Respectfully submitted

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